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Don Robb, Garry Braunwarth, Scoop Lewry,
Russ Brown, George Parfet, Ian Graham

APPOINTED POSITIONS:

Editor: Garry Braunwarth
Membership Chairman: Don Robb
Fund Raiser: Garry Braunwarth
Auction Coordinator: Al Munro

DUES: Dues in The Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors are \$7.50 per calndar year and should be sent to our Membership Chairman Don Robb at P. O. Box 724, Waterloo, Ontario N2J 4C2.

AUCTION RESULTS: Al will have these available soon.

ANNUAL MEETING: This is scheduled as part of our breakfast meeting during the Annual CNA Convention at the Auberge des Gouverneurs, Quebec City. It will be held on Sunday July 30, 1989 from 0800 - 1000. Hope to see you there.

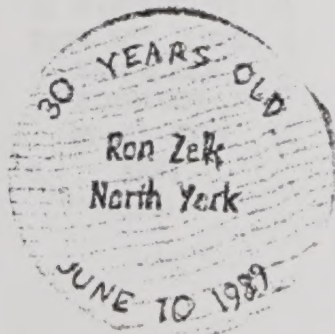
CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER REPORTS: Please see Neil's report on the next page.

THANKS: Thanks to those (few members) who have responded to my request for articles, listings of new wood, sale, want, and trade ads. Now if a few more of you would respond it would improve Timber Talk even more. I know that some of you are working on articles and hope that you will soon be sending them along for others to share.

CHRISTMAS WOOD: It is not too soon to start thinking about ordering Christmas woods, flat or round, for the coming season. More details about printers will be published in a future issue of the bulletin.

WOOD LIST: John Hnatiuk of P. O. Box 4944, Vancouver, B. C. V6B 4A6 offers a list of woods and trade dollars for a SASE.

WOOD OF THE MONTH: Thanks to Ron Zelk for his contribution of wood to be sent out in this issue of Timber Talk. Both sides are printed in green and were issued by Ron in celebration of his 30th Birthday on June 10, 1989.



REPORT FROM THE CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER OF CAWMC:

For the first time in CAWMC's history an election is not required this year. We received the same number of nominations as there are positions to be filled. I declare the following members elected to the indicated positions by acclamation:

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Vice-President:	Earl J. Salterio
Secretary-Treasurer:	Al Munro
Elected Members of the Board of Governors:	
	Garry Braunwarth, Russ Brown, Ian Graham,
	Tom King, Scoop Lewry, Don Robb

As Past-President I retain the Chairmanship of the Board of Governors. These positions all become effective at the Annual General Meeting in July.

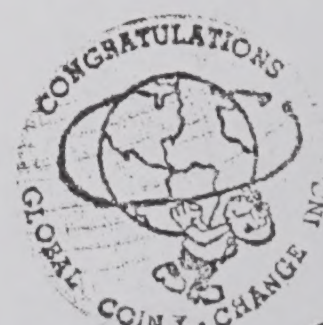
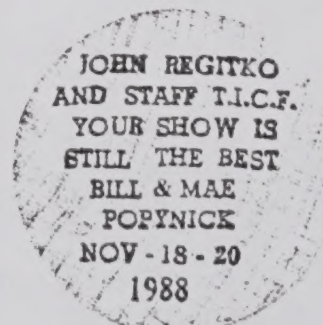
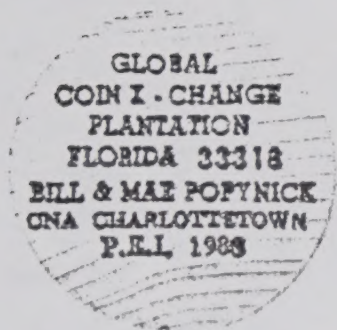
Thanks to all the above for running for office.

Neil Probert
Chief Returning Officer

WEDDING WOOD: No, the following wood was not issued to commemorate a wedding. It was handed to Al Munro during his wedding reception last month. What a pleasant surprise for Al. It was issued by Larry's Sport Shops (9902 - 100 Ave., Grande Prairie, Alta. T8V 0T9) about two years ago. To us it was a newly discovered wood. It is printed in blue and is shown below.



WOOD: William F. Popynick of Plantation, Florida issued a couple of woods last year. One was for the CNA Convention in PEI and the other for TICF in Toronto. Only 50 of the TICF woods were made. The CNA wood is hot stamped in red (writing) and blue (illustration) and the TICF is printed in black (writing) and blue (illustration).



PRINCE GEORGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



Dear Spruce Dollar Collector:

The 1989 issue of the Spruce Dollar has been printed. This Issue, Number 141, commemorates the 2nd Annual Canadian Northern Children's Festival which took place in Prince George from May 24 - May 28, 1989.

The cost has increased this year due to rising wood and postage prices. The cost will be as follows:

per issue:	\$2.00
Mailing/handling	\$1.50

	\$3.50

Upon receipt of your cheque or money order we will forward the issue you have ordered. Please DO NOT SEND CASH.

Yours truly

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Connie Williams'.

Connie Williams
General Manager

CAWMC LOSES ANOTHER CHARTER MEMBER: Another member of CAWMC (Charter Member # C-40), Gilvin F. (Corky) Ayers passed away May 20, 1989. Corky was an active wood collector for many years and will be missed by those in the hobby. Our sympathy to his family. The following write-up appeared in the June 7, 1989 issue of Coin World.

'Corky' Ayers dies at age 74 in California

Gilvin "Corky" Ayers, 74, president of the Numismatic Association of Southern California, died May 20 in Pomona, Calif.

Mr. Ayers was active in numismatics throughout most of his life. He began collecting during the Depression and became actively involved after World War II, according to his wife, Awanda. As his interest in the hobby grew, Mr. Ayers served as an officer of various California state and local clubs. He also became a well-known figure at California conventions.



Ayers

Mr. Ayers was on the board of directors of the California State Numismatic Association and was treasurer for the Upland (Calif.) Coin Club.

He was a member of the American Numismatic Association, the International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors and a 25-year member of the Token and Medal Society. Mr. Ayers' collecting interests included wooden nickels, love tokens, circus memorabilia and credit cards.

Mr. Ayers recently received a second-place literary award from NASC for his article, "How I Got Started Collecting Credit Cards," which appeared in the winter 1988 issue of "The NASC Quarterly."

Mr. Ayers served on the board and as a past president of the Convention of International Numismatics and as a general chairman for a CSNA convention. He also served in a variety of NASC convention positions, including bourse chairman and security chairman.

WOOD ISSUED AND FOR SALE: In response to my request (plea?) for articles, etc., Jerry Remick of Box 9183, Ste. Foy, Quebec G1V 4B1 has sent the following information. For the woods still available the cost is 50¢ each for the flats (except for 1989 CNA wood which is \$1.50 each) and 40¢ each for the rounds plus 40¢ per order to help cover postage costs. Most wood still available are in very short supply. So take a look through the following list to see if you have missed any of Jerry's woods.

CHRISTMAS WOOD: 1980 flat (sold out), 1981 flat, 1982 flat, 1983 - none issued, 1984 flat (sleigh - sold out), 1984 flat (cabin - sold out), 1985 flat (deer - sold out), 1985 flat (home - sold out), 1986 flat (Modona and child in ceramic), 1986 flat (Modona and child - painting), 1987 flat (tree), 1987 flat (Modona and child), 1988 flat (sleigh and house), 1988 flat (Modona and child), 1988 round (snowman)
Christmas wood - Tongue Depresser type - 1986
Christmas wood with Jerry's portrait: 1986 issued (dated 1986-1987 - green portrait with JERRY REMICK), 1987 (no date on wood - a horrible portrait of me in black), 1988 (no date - a good green portrait with JEROME H. REMICK under it)

CNA CONVENTIONS: 1981 flat (sold out), 1984 round (sold out), 1985 round, 1985 flat, 1986 flat, 1988 round (sold out), 1989 round (with CNA logo - light blue logo, green on name side), 1989 round (with CNA logo - blue on both sides), 1989 round (Voyageur canoe with date, city), 1989 flat (canoe logo - \$1.50 each), 1989 flat (lady against cliff with St. Lawrence River - \$1.50 each). (NOTE: Only 8 of the 50 sets of the last two wood remain.)

OTHER EVENTS: All the following woods are sold out.
1985 - Spring TICF wood flat
1989 - Valentine's Day - heart - round
1989 - Valentine's Day - boy and girl - round
1989 - St. Patrick's Day - one figure or person - round
1989 - St. Patrick's Day - two figures or persons - round

Thanks Jerry for sending the above.

ORIGIN OF THE VOODOO NICKELS by William G. Morphet, Apt. A13, 3360 Chichester Ave., Boothwyn, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. 19061

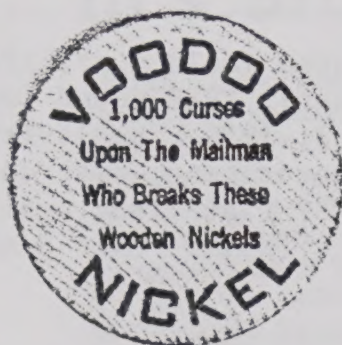
We (The Wooden Money People) are now engaged in a great Civil War with the employees of the Postal Services of the United States and Canada. We try to sneak as many wooden nickels through the mail in one piece as we can. They try to see how many pieces they can make out of one wooden nickel. I recently sent a member in Canada four wooden nickels. He received them as eleven pieces in a plastic bag marked 'Sorry about that.' I'm sure that is not a record, but it's a pretty good average. So far we have been losing most of the battles, but we haven't lost the war yet if I have anything to say about it. I hate to resort to Black Magic, but desperate times demand desperate measures. So I designed the First Voodoo Nickel and ordered 1000 printed from The Elbee Company in Texas. That was the easy part. Now I have received them and I'll have to number them 0001 through 1000. I would like to offer them to fellow members at \$1.00 per four color set (red, green, black, and blue) postpaid. Each wooden nickel will be cursed individually by myself before being placed in the envelope for mailing. Sometimes being a Warlock has its advantages. You may request a certain curse on each of your wooden Voodoo nickels, or I will assign one of many curses to your set. Only one curse per wood (four curses per set). As an Apprentice Warlock, I can only apply one curse per object. Be careful when handling your Voodoo Nickels. The curses are meant for Postal Employees, but the curse will befall the person closest to the Voodoo Nickel when it is broken. I'm sorry, but that is the best I could do. I told you I was only an Apprentice Warlock. I will enclose a paper with the curse applied to each numbered Voodoo Nickel. I will also keep a master list of the curses applied to all 1000 Voodoo wooden nickels. You may request a copy of the master list ...

VOODOO WOODEN NICKELS CTD.:

(by number only - the names of the persons owning Voodoo Nickels will not be released at any time) by sending me a SASE. The War rages on, but until they outlaw Voodoo Nieckels, I won't give up the fight. Help win the war. Order your Voodoo Nickels now from Bill Morphet (address at beginning of article), Alias #1 - The Wizard of Voodoo Nickels, Alias #2 - Great Uncle Scrooge. Bill also advises that if you want a set of unnumbered Voodoo Nickels the cost is only 50¢ per set postpaid and you can apply your own curses.

With the Voodoo wood Bill encloses a little note: VODOO NICKELS - Enclose one when sending wood thru the mail, and we will soon have eliminated all of the Postal Employees who break wooden nickels for the fun of it." In his letter to me Bill says in part: "I have enclosed a set for you. I hope a couple get broken. I need to test my powers. Ha. Ha. I keep a bottle of Elmer's glue - all on my desk for repairing all the wooden nickels sent to me. It does a good job."

A footnote: In all I received 8 of these wood - NONE broken!



INFORMATION WANTED: Richard Bell of Hwy 36 RR 4, Lakefield, Ontario KOL 2H0 is seeking information on the following wood. He picked it up at a Flea Market near Trenton, Ontario. It is printed in black on both sides. Thanks to Al Munro for passing this request along to us.



STORING WOODS: In a future issue of Timber Talk we will have an article by Jerry Remick on storing wood.

CAWMC MEETING: Although I have not been advised by Norm we usually have a short donation auction at our Annual Meeting. If you have a wood or two to spare why not bring them to the meeting. Also a number of wood usually appear at each of our breakfast plates. It is not uncommon to go home with a pocket full of wood. Many also bring along their traders to pass around after the meeting. We have two hours which is longer than needed four breakfast and our meeting. So let's enjoy the social time.

FINAL NOTE: If one babbles on long enough the page eventually gets full!